1 THE HONORABLE RICARDO S. MARTINEZ 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, No. CR19-200-RSM 10 Plaintiff, ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED 11 MOTION TO SCHEDULE v. **DEFENDANT'S SENTENCING** 12 THOMAS DAY, HEARING BY VIDEOCONFERENCE 13 Defendant. 14 15 THE COURT has considered the unopposed motion of the parties to proceed 16 forward with a sentencing hearing, by videoconference, for March 25, 2021, for the 17 following reasons: 18 (a) Under General Order 04-20, felony pleas and sentencings may 19 proceed by video or telephone if "the district judge in a particular case finds for specific 20 reasons that the plea or sentencing in that case cannot be further delayed without 21 serious harm to the interests of justice." A sentencing hearing in this case cannot be 22 delayed without serious harm to the interests of justice; and 23 (b) Mr. Day would like his sentencing hearing held as soon as possible 24 and resolve the case in a timely fashion; and 25 26

1	(c) Mr. Day wishes to have his sentencing hearing held as soon as
2	possible in light of anticipated delay associated with the COVID pandemic and a desire
3	to alleviate presumptive backlogged court calendars following the COVID recovery
4	process. Mr. Day believes that the Court may not be as able to accommodate a timely
5	resolution of his case in the future as more cases are delayed; and
6	(d) a videoconference sentencing hearing would avoid further delays in
7	the ultimate sentencing in this case, which would cause "serious harm to the interests of
8	justice." See General Order No. 04-20 (3/30/20).
9	IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this matter should be set for a sentencing
10	hearing by videoconference on March 25, 2021.
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12	DONE this 22 nd day of March, 2021.
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15	RICARDO S. MARTINEZ
16	CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT
17	JUDGE
18	Presented by:
19	/s/ Gregory Geist
20	Assistant Federal Public Defender Attorney for Thomas Day
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